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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Ruth E. ROSENHOLTZ et al.

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Application No.: 09/682,229

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For: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR GENERATING ENHANCED THUMBNAILS

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.131

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

We, Ruth Rosenholtz, Allison G. Woodruff and Andrew Faulring, hereby declare and state that:

1. This Declaration is submitted as evidence that the invention of this application was invented by us prior to June 15, 2001, which is the effective filing date of U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0006995 to Smith et al., entitled "Orthogonal Magnifier Within a Computer System Display," which was applied in the February 16, 2005 Office Action.
2. We are the named inventors in the above-identified application.
3. We are the inventors of the invention described in an invention proposal entitled "Enhanced Thumbnails of Documents," which appears as Exhibit A attached to this Declaration. The invention proposal is signed by us and dated October 3, 2000.
4. The copies of these pages which constitute Exhibit A are true copies of the invention proposal.

5. The invention described by Exhibit A was conceived and actually reduced to practice by us in the United States at least as early as October 3, 2000.

6. We were in possession of the invention recited in claims 1-3, 6-22, 25-28 and 30-40 as evidenced by the entire disclosure of Exhibit A.

7. The features recited in claims 1, 16, 20, 21, 28, 34 and 38 are generally described at, for example, page 2, lines 15-17, and page 3, lines 16-21, and shown in Fig. 1. The features recited in claims 2, 3, 10, 11, 17, 22 and 26 are generally described at, for example, page 2, lines 33-37. The features recited in claims 6, 9, 12, 26 and 27 are generally described at, for example, page 2, lines 25-30. The features recited in claims 7, 8, 13-15 and 30-33 are generally described at, for example, page 3, lines 6-15. The features recited in claim 18 are generally described at, for example, page 3, lines 3-5. The features recited in claims 19 and 37 are generally described at, for example, page 2, line 38-page 3, line 2. The features recited in claims 35 and 36 are generally described at, for example, page 2, line 33-page 3, line 15. The features recited in claims 40 and 41 are generally described at, for example, page 2, lines 6-10.

8. We hereby declare and state that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine and/or imprisonment under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing therefrom.

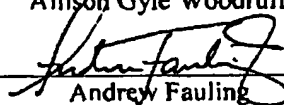
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Date: 24 May 2005


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Attachment:
Exhibit A